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REQUEST FOR TELEPHONIC HEARING

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Hearing dated February 26, 2009, and scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., Appellants hereby request a telephonic hearing.

Respectfully submitted,



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